

June 21, 2001

Policy Brief..... Fiscal Year 2002 Interior Appropriations

BY THE NUMBERS:

Budget Authority in Thousands of Dollars

| | FY '01 | FY '02 Request | FY '02 Cmte Bill |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Appropriations | 17,092,707 | 18,072,635 | 18,863,855 |
| Emergency Spending | 1,685,313 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand Total | 18,778,020 | 18,072,635 | 18,863,855 |

Excluding Emergency Spending, the Committee bill appropriates \$1.8 billion or 10.4% more than last year.

Including Emergency Spending, the bill is \$85.8 million or 0.5% above last year.

The bill is \$791.2 million or 4.4% above President Bush's Request.

Some Members may be concerned that the bill assumes last year's 26% increase in spending as a base for this year and then applies an additional 0.5% increase. The President's proposal reduced total spending slightly as compared to last year. While it has been asserted that the 4.4% increase above the President's request is the result of restoring reductions proposed by the Administration, at least half of the increase is the result of the Committee adding additional funding to programs for which the President had already proposed a modest increase.

FUNDING ISSUES:

HOT BUTTON ISSUES:

In Thousands of Dollars

| | FY 2001 | Request | Committee | % Over FY '01 | % Over Request |
|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| NEA | 104,770 | 105,219 | 105,234 | 0.44% | 0.01% |
| Federal Land Acquisition (BLM, USFWS, NPS, FS) | 444,165 | 390,000 | 390,000 | -12.19% | 0.00% |

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|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) | 199,560 | 150,000 | 200,000 | 0.22% | 33.33% |
| Endangered Species Act Listings | 6,341 | 8,476 | 8,476 | 33.67% | 0.00% |
| Wildland Fire Mgmt (BLM & FS) | 1,271,838 | 1,938,770 | 2,103,111 | 65.36% | 8.48% |
| Emergency Spending | 1,585,519 | 0 | 0 | | |
| TOTAL Wildland Fire | 2,857,357 | 1,938,770 | 2,103,111 | -26.40% | 8.48% |
| National Park Service Operations | 1,386,190 | 1,470,499 | 1,480,336 | 6.79% | 0.67% |

GRANTS TO STATES & OTHER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS:

In Thousands of Dollars

| | FY 2001 | Request | Committee | % Over FY '01 | % Over Request |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|------------------|-------------------|
| Grants to States & Tribes for Land Acquisition & Wildlife Conservation | 140,191 | 450,000 | 259,000 | 84.75% | -42.44% |
| President's Land Owner Incentive & Private Stewardship Grant Programs | 0 | 60,000 | 60,000 | NEW | 0.00% |
| Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation | 104,694 | 54,694 | 107,000 | 2.20% | 95.63% |
| North American Wetlands Conservation | 39,912 | 14,912 | 45,000 | 12.75% | 201.77% |
| Neotropical Migratory Birds | 0 | 0 | 5,000 | NEW | |
| Multinational Species (Asian Elephants Etc) | 3,243 | 3,243 | 4,000 | 23.34% | 23.34% |

MAJOR PROGRAMS:

In Thousands of Dollars

| | FY 2001 | Request | Committee | % Over FY '01 | % Over Request |
|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Bureau of Land Management | 1,584,504 | 1,771,538 | 1,872,422 | 18.17% | 5.69% |
| Emergency Funds | 559,678 | 0 | 0 | | |
| TOTAL | 2,144,182 | 1,771,538 | 1,872,422 | -12.67% | 5.69% |
| U.S. Fish & Wildlife | 1,194,343 | 1,091,265 | 1,335,516 | 11.82% | 22.38% |
| Emergency Funds | 14,967 | 0 | 0 | -100.00% | |
| TOTAL | 1,209,310 | 1,091,265 | 1,335,516 | 10.44% | 22.38% |
| National Park Service | 2,128,231 | 2,517,691 | 2,284,685 | 7.35% | -9.25% |
| Emergency Funds | 5,288 | 0 | 0 | -100.00% | |
| TOTAL | 2,133,519 | 2,517,691 | 2,284,685 | 7.09% | -9.25% |
| Bureau of Indian Affairs | 2,136,416 | 2,203,553 | 2,213,848 | 3.62% | 0.47% |
| Emergency Funds | 1,197 | 0 | 0 | -100.00% | |
| TOTAL | 2,137,613 | 2,203,553 | 2,213,848 | 3.57% | 0.47% |
| Dept of the Interior Total | 8,703,219 | 9,167,124 | 9,420,563 | 8.24% | 2.76% |
| Emergency Funds | 611,363 | 0 | 0 | -100.00% | |
| GRAND TOTAL | 9,314,582 | 9,167,124 | 9,420,563 | 1.14% | 2.76% |
| Forest Service | 3,319,541 | 3,732,125 | 3,920,063 | 18.09% | 5.04% |
| Emergency Funds | 1,073,950 | 0 | 0 | -100.00% | |
| TOTAL | 4,393,491 | 3,732,125 | 3,920,063 | -10.78% | 5.04% |
| Dept of Energy | 1,453,644 | 1,502,680 | 1,796,680 | 23.60% | 19.57% |
| Emergency Funds | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| TOTAL | 1,453,644 | 1,502,680 | 1,796,680 | 23.60% | 19.57% |

Dep't of Energy Programs:

In Thousands of Dollars

| | FY 2001 | Request | Committee | % Over FY '01 | % Over Request |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Fossil Energy Research & Development | 432,464 | 449,000 | 579,000 | 33.88% | 28.95% |
| Energy Conservation | 813,442 | 755,805 | 940,805 | 15.66% | 24.48% |
| Economic Regulation | 1,996 | 1,996 | 1,996 | 0.00% | 0.00% |
| Strategic Petroleum Reserve | 160,637 | 169,009 | 179,009 | 11.44% | 5.92% |
| Energy Information Administration | 75,509 | 75,499 | 78,499 | 3.96% | 3.97% |
| GRAND TOTAL DEPT OF ENERGY | 1,453,644 | 1,502,680 | 1,796,680 | 23.60% | 19.57% |

LEGISLATIVE LANGUAGE:

The bill continues to carry legislative language similar to last year relating to:

- Tribal School Construction Program
- Prohibition on the Use of Funds for New Indian Charter Schools

The bill omits language carried in the bill last year:

- Prohibiting the use of funds to implement the Kyoto global warming protocol
- Prohibiting the use of funds for personnel training or administrative activities related to the American Heritage Rivers Program

EARMARKS & OTHER PROGRAMS:

The bill contains the usual earmarks for land purchases and construction as well as previously carried earmarks for the Close-Up Foundation and the National Forest Foundation, etc.

The bill also continues to fund at \$30 million the Save America's Treasures Program begun by former First Lady Hillary Clinton.
